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TAGS: SOPN, CGEN
SUBJECT: ABC-TV REQUEST TO FILM CONGEN VISA PROCESS FOR TONG WAR FEATURE

1. ABC SAN FRANCISCO TV AFFILIATE AND LOCAL ABC-TV CORRESPONDENT HAVE REQUESTED PERMISSION TO FILM CONGEN VISA PROCESS AS PART OF FEATURE ON BACKGROUND OF SAN FRANCISCO CHINATOWN RESTAURANT SHOOTING AND GENERAL CHINATOWN CRIME SITUATION. KGO-TV REPORTER LINDA YU WISHES TO BRING CREW TO HONG KONG SEPTEMBER 13 AND FILM IN CONGEN ON 14TH. SHE STATED THAT RESTAURANT SHOOTING ONLY LATEST OF STRING OF CRIMINAL INCIDENTS, MANY INVOLVING CHINATOWN TONGS WHO APPARENTLY IMPORTING SEASONED FIGHTERS FROM HONG KONG THROUGH IMMIGRATION PROCESS. SHE HAS CONSULTED WITH INS IN SAN FRANCISCO AND NOW WISHES TO COVER HONG KONG END, INCLUDING PROCESS THROUGH WHICH CHINESE OBTAIN VISAS TO GO TO U.S.

2. SPECIFIC SHOTS DESIRED ARE (A) LINES IN CONGEN VISA SECTION: (B) STAMPING OF A VISA; (C) AN OFFICER INTERVIEWING A VISA APPLICANT (WIHOUT SHOWING APPLICANT'S FACE): AND (D) CONSULR OFFICER EXPLAINING SOME OF THE PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS INVOLVED IN PROCESSING VISA APPLICANTS.
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3. WE DO NOT FIND THE REQUEST ANY PROBLEM IN ITSELF AND IT OUGHT TO BE HELPFUL IN CLARIFYING SOME VISA MATTERS. HOWEVER, THE FILM WOULD BE USED AS PART OF A LARGER FEATURE, IN PART CONNECTING HONG KONG WITH CRIME IN THE U.S., WITH NO FURTHER CONTROL ON OUR PART OVER EDITORIAL TREATMENT. OF COURSE, ABC PROPOSES TO

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FILM OTHER FOOTAGE IN HONG KONG, AS WELL, WITH OR
WITHOUT CONGEN, AND PRESUMABLY CONGEN REFUSAL TO GRANT
ENTRY WOULD BE NOTED. IN VIEW OF THESE CONSIDERATIONS,
WE WISH TO CHECK WITH DEPARTMENT FOR ITS VIEWS ON
GRANTING ABC REQUEST. PLEASE REPLY.
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